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## How to Vote Absentee In the General Election

by Kathleen Gallagher

As was the case for the June primary election, a low voter turnout is projected for the 2014 Gubernatorial General Election on Tuesday, November 4. Nonetheless, voters not wanting to take a chance on long lines at their assigned polling place have options.

No reason or excuse is required to vote absentee in state elections in Maryland. For no more than the price of a telephone call and a forever stamp, voters can vote by mail from the comfort of their armchairs by using an absentee ballot. Early voting (which was discussed last week) will be an option from October 23 through 31.

### Application Deadlines

Qualified voters preferring to be absent from their polling place on election day may submit an application to receive an absentee ballot from the Prince George's County Board of Elections in Largo. The deadline for submitting the application depends upon how the voter wishes to receive

the ballot. To have the board send out the ballot by mail, the application must be received by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28 if it is received by mail or hand-delivery. If the application is sent by fax or email, it must be received by 11:59 p.m. on October 28.

If the voter prefers to download a ballot from the state board of elections website, the deadline for submitting the application: Friday, October 31 at 11:59 p.m.

### Getting an Application

How can one get an application for an absentee ballot? There are three ways.

Those who have a Maryland driver's license or an identification card issued by the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) can fill out and submit the application online. If preferred, an online form may be printed out and returned to the county board of elections by mail, fax or email (scanned as an

See **VOTING**, page 7

## Pepco Officials, Council Discuss Excelon Merger

by James Giese

Jerry Pasternak, Maryland regional vice president for Pepco, informed the Greenbelt City Council at its September 17 stakeholder worksession that Pepco will merge with Excelon Corporation. Pasternak attended the meeting with Excelon employees Tami Watkins, public affairs manager, and Susan Marinelli, energywise rewards program manager. With City Manager Mike McLaughlin and Assistant City Manager David Moran away attending a conference, IT Director Dave Worley and Assistant Public Works Director Jim Sterling staffed the meeting.

Other matters discussed included the status of pole replacement in the city and the recent power outage at Greenbriar Condominiums.

The merger requires the approval of the Maryland, Delaware, Virginia and District of Columbia public service commissions. Excelon itself was formed with the merger of Consolidated Edison (ConEd), supplier of electricity in New York and Chicago, and Peco, the supplier in Pennsylvania. More recently Excelon acquired Baltimore Gas and Electric (BG&E).

The Pepco group to merge includes Delmarva Power and ACE, which now supplies power to Pepco, which then distributes it to consumers.

According to Pasternak, Excelon proposes to provide liability

standards higher than what is required. ConEd and Peco are "top performing" companies, he said, and Excelon is on the cusp of bringing BG&E to that status as well. The merger will provide a \$100 million customer investment fund, of which \$40 million is allocated for Maryland to provide financial assistance for energy costs to those in need.

Excelon guarantees that the charitable levels of the companies, now at a peak, will continue for another 10 years. For employees, the company has entered into three-year collective bargaining contracts with the unions involved and has guaranteed no reductions in force due to the merger. For the Maryland economy, Pasternak predicted that 3,000 to 7,000 new jobs will be created.

### Green?

Councilmember Judith Davis asked, "How Green is Excelon? If it is that huge, it must have the opportunity to do something significant."

Pasternak responded that it was one of the top 10 clean energy producers in the country and a leader in solar and wind power. It also is the largest producer of carbon-free energy in Maryland. Pepco, too, has factored in climate changes in what it does, he said.

Pasternak also pointed out that See **PEPCO MERGER**, page 7

## Kristen Beauchamp and Labbe Sisters Are Misses Greenbelt

by Valerie Young

The Miss Greenbelt Pageant represents more than glamour and beauty. This historic pageant focuses on education and community service.

The 60th annual Miss Greenbelt Pageant was held on Labor Day weekend. Kristen Beauchamp was crowned the 2014 Miss Greenbelt, Jeriah Labbe won Junior Miss Greenbelt and her sister, Jade Labbe, won Little Miss Greenbelt and the Most Spirited title. This is the first time in the pageant's history that two sisters won titles.

"I have observed the growth in them, in terms of their poise, communication skills, their ability to work together with a group of girls, and to really develop relationships," said Tasha Labbe, Jeriah's and Jade's mother.

When preparing for the pageant the contestants learn interview techniques, meet professionals in the industry, study current events and learn how to speak in front of an audience.

"We try to teach the girls life skills that they are going to use in their everyday life," said Natasha Jewell, president of the Miss Greenbelt Pageant. Jewell was the 1983 Miss Greenbelt winner.

Twenty-five contestants competed for the crown this year.

"I am so proud of every contestant that participated because it takes so much courage to get out there and compete," said Jewell.

The three winners not only have beauty and poise, but they have brains and are willing to get out and help in the community.

### Miss Greenbelt

Kristen Beauchamp, 16, a junior at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, is no stranger to the Miss Greenbelt pageant. She has competed since she was eight years old. Kristen won the title of Little Miss in 2008, was first runner up to Junior Miss in 2010 and first runner up to Miss Greenbelt in 2013. She is proud to finally win the title in 2014 and said that being Miss Greenbelt is different from being Little Miss.

"It's a whole other world. It feels amazing and I'm super excited for the upcoming responsibilities, appearances and being able to help the community," said Kristen.

"As Miss Greenbelt you have to take care of the other younger girls and become a sister to them and be a role model."

After graduating from high school Kristen plans to become a pediatric nurse. She loves drama and acting. She has performed in the winter musical at the Community Center. Her favorite classes are television



2014 Miss Greenbelt Winners: Little Miss Greenbelt Jade Labbe, Miss Greenbelt Kristen Beauchamp and Junior Miss Greenbelt Jeriah Labbe.

production and forensics. In her free time she enjoys watching movies and hanging out with her friends.

Kristen said that sometimes pageants are frowned upon because they are more focused on the beauty and the crown.

"For us it's more of serving the community and being smart," she said. "It's a different type of pageant, it's a scholarship pageant."

"It's really brought me out of my shell and made me become a more confident young lady. I hope a lot of other girls will join in the pageant and get the same experience I have had."

### Junior Miss Greenbelt

Jeriah Labbe, 13, is an avid reader and plans to become an author of fantasy novels.

Her favorite fantasy novels are The Lord of the Rings and The Chronicles of Narnia. She is homeschooled along with her sister. Jeriah rides horses and plays the violin. She has a creative mind and loves arts and crafts. Her favorite subjects are grammar and Latin. Last year, Jeriah was second runner-up to Junior Miss.

"She was more of the shy one and she has really grown as a young lady during this pageant," said her mother.

"Before I started this pageant, I was so shy, I couldn't even talk to the person at a register. I would have my little sister go up and ask them for me because I was so shy," said Jeriah.

See **MISSES**, page 6

## What Goes On

### Saturday, October 18

**9 a.m. to noon**, Shredding Day, Parking Lot in Front of Aquatic and Fitness Center

**2 to 5 p.m.**, Fall Fest, Schrom Hills Park

### Monday, October 20

**8 p.m.**, Worksession, Labor Day Festival, Municipal Building, Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at [greenbeltnmd.gov/municipaltv](http://greenbeltnmd.gov/municipaltv)

### Wednesday, October 22

**8 p.m.**, Worksession, Transit, Community Center

### Thursday, October 23

**7 p.m.**, Forest Preserve Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center, Room 114

**7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.**, School Board Candidates Debate, Municipal Building

### Saturday, October 25

**9 a.m. to noon**, Electronics Recycling, Public Works Yard



# Letters to the Editor

## Beijing and Facebook

Some folks say that Facebook is a poor substitute for “real life” connections. But sometimes, it helps make them.

It started with a simple posting on the Greenbelters Facebook page: a customer at the Beijing looked around when he was dining one recent evening and noticed that the room was rather empty. “Their business is taking a real hit from the theater renovation,” he noted in his posting. Many folks chimed in, with much discussion around the relative merits of a few of the local Chinese food restaurants but a consensus did seem to emerge: it would be a shame to see the Beijing go out of business because the theater’s temporary closing had apparently pulled away some of its customer base.

And with that, one poster suggested that the group get together for dinner to support the Beijing. It was decided that they would meet Wednesday, October 8 for an evening of food, fortunes and friendship. The group included Lawrence Phelps, Maureen Wheeler, Diane Fishburne, Brett Fishburne, Svetlana Bunina, Christina Kavanagh, Angelo Parisi, Angie Parisi, Janice Wolf, Sheila Maffay-Tuthill and me. Some of the members knew each other already, but many did not, so it was a great way to have some face time after Facebook.

It was also a reminder that what makes the Greenbelt community so great is its individuals. And it takes individuals to keep our local businesses thriving. Let’s try to remember our neighbors at Roosevelt Center, particularly while the theater remains closed, so that we can continue to enjoy their presence in our community.

Julie Winters

## Pumpkin Walk Carvers Wanted

For 26 years, the Pumpkin Walk has helped bring our community into the forest and has known many variations. This year, our goal is to put as much of the Greenbelt community into our community forest as we can so we can all appreciate the value of this special place. In just one week, we will be reviving popular past aspects of the Pumpkin Walk by hosting a community carving party in Roosevelt Center on October 24 with music and free pumpkins, hosting a nature walk during daylight hours on October 25 led by plant and wildlife biologists, and inviting more mischievous creatures onto the trail on the evening of October 25 to join the infamous Goatman. The walk, however, will remain family friendly.

We are also adding new concepts to make this the most inclusive walk ever. This year we are challenging at least 50 different Greenbelt groups, businesses, and city departments to carve a pumpkin to place on the walk to illuminate our community spirit. We are almost half way there and look forward to more groups and businesses stepping up to participate!

And finally, we have strengthened communication with the Forest Preserve Advisory Board and the City’s Planning and Com-

munity Development Department to provide stronger educational programming, particularly on our Facebook page. This is especially important because the Pumpkin Walk’s roots are about inspiring community members to care and protect our forest. Greenbelters are invited to join us for a full series of events happening all around our community for the next several weekends that involve pumpkins, forests and fun here in Greenbelt to make this the most fantastic Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival yet! Find us on Facebook at the Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival page, so you can follow along and learn about the fun to come!

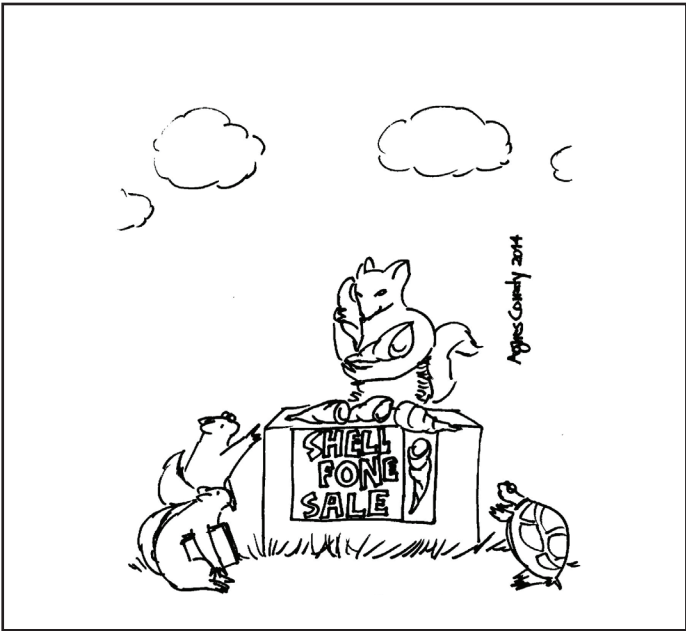
Melissa Ehrenreich  
Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival Volunteer Organizer

## Thanks

Thanks to all the talented Greenbelters who shared their treasures with the community at the Labor Day Festival Retro Town Fair 2014. We will be back next year and are discussing a few new categories including Gigantic Vegetable and Jewelry. One Retro Town Fair-goer even suggested a Dog Treat category. Thanks to all the judges, volunteers, attendees and the hardworking Public Works employees for the tables and chairs. See you next year at the Retro Town Fair.

Megan Young  
Greenbelt Museum Curator

## Grin Belt



"Dad, I guess I wasn't very clear when I asked you for a phone . . . ."

## Star Party Planned For Saturday Night

The public is invited to a star party Saturday evening, October 18, hosted by the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt at the City of Greenbelt Observatory, Northway field. Usually, in addition to the telescope in the observatory, some members set up personal telescopes and binoculars for the enjoyment of all. Observing will begin as soon as it is dark enough, probably around 7:30 p.m.

## Mowatt UMC Holds Spaghetti Dinner

On Saturday, October 18 from 5 to 7 p.m., Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church will hold a spaghetti dinner. Proceeds will go to restoring the steeple, which now leaks rain into the sanctuary. It is hoped that the community will come together, share a meal and fellowship and help fix the roof. The church is located at 40 Ridge Road. Call 301-474-9410 for further information.

## Greenbelt News Review 2014 Annual Membership Meeting

Sunday, October 26, 2:00 pm  
Greenbelt Youth Center, Multi-purpose Room  
Business Meeting and Election of Board Members

## 2014 GREENBELT PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

Putting the community in our community forest!

### COMMUNITY CARVE-OFF:

October 24th 5-9PM

Roosevelt Center

Join your neighbors to carve hundreds of pumpkins to place on the Pumpkin Walk while listening to local Greenbelt bands!

### NATURE HIKE:

October 25th 10-11:30AM

Greenbelt Forest Preserve (Northway & Ridge)

Learn about the wonders of our forest from forest and wildlife biologists and learn the history of our forest.

### PUMPKIN WALK:

October 25th 5:30-9PM

Greenbelt Forest Preserve (Northway & Ridge)

Become a part of a 26 year tradition--The Greenbelt Pumpkin Walk! Take a walk through our community forest lit by hundreds of pumpkins carved by Greenbelters. Meet Goatman and other mischievous creatures in the woods! Enjoy a cup of hot chocolate and hot cider while you revel in the magic of the forest!

THIS EVENT IS ENTIRELY FREE THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS!



Questions? Email [pumpkinwalk@gmail.com](mailto:pumpkinwalk@gmail.com) or call (301) 345-1346

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.  
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

## Corrections

In last week’s issue, the city ad gave the correct date of Thursday, October 23 for the School Board candidates’ forum. The What Goes On box had the correct date but the wrong day of the week.

In the October 9 News Review, the article headed Senior Open Forum on page 13 should have noted that Councilmember Judith Davis was present.

## HEAR the NEWS REVIEW

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# Community Events

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition “Food and Friendship” program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for October 20 through 24 were not available at press time.

## At the Library

Saturday, October 18, 2 p.m. Read to Rover, for children ages six to 11, helps them build reading confidence while reading aloud to specially-trained therapy dogs glad to listen. Each child will read for 15 minutes. Registration is required; call the branch at 301-345-5800 for more information.

### Storytime

Toddler Storytime -Tuesday, October 21, 2 p.m., for children aged two to three, limit 20 people.

Preschool Storytime - Thursday, October 23, 10:30 a.m., for children aged three to five, limit 20 people.

Baby Laptime Storytime - 11:15 for ages birth-12 months, limit 20 people.

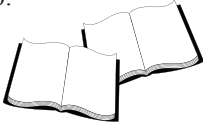
Baby Storytime - 12:15, for ages 12-24 months, limit 20 people.

Stop by the information desk to pick up free tickets.

### Continuing Series

Tuesday, October 21, 7 p.m. “American Slavery as It Really Was: Voices of the Ancestors” will be the next session in this audiovisual lecture series presented by C.R. Gibbs, renowned historian of the African diaspora.

Tuesday, October 21, 7 p.m. The adult book discussion will be on the 2014 One Maryland One Book, Reyna Grande’s The Distance Between Us: A Memoir. People who have read this book and want to discuss it are welcome to participate. Copies of the book may be available at the branch’s information desk through October 20.



## VFD Open House On this Saturday

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad will be hosting its annual free open house at the Firehouse at 125 Crescent Road from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 18. The purpose of the event is to thank the community for its continuing support over the years. There will be games, food and activities for the entire family.

## Dance Performance at Schrom Hills Park

In conjunction with the City Fall Fest, Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society (CHEARS) and alight dance theater present the final performance and garden demonstration of Three Sisters: Gardens for All Seasons. Before being shuttered inside for the winter, alight dance theater will close the growing season with a fall harvest dance at Schrom Hills Park on Saturday, October 18 from 2 to 4 p.m.

The last of three performances occurring in three different seasons and in three different parts of Greenbelt will show how gardens truly are meant for all seasons. This event is free and open to the community.

The park is located at 6915 Hanover Parkway.

## Kids Open Mic Night

There will be a Kids’ Open Microphone at the New Deal Café Sunday, October 19, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The Open Microphone takes place on the third Sunday of every month. Children age 17 and under are invited to play a musical instrument, sing, dance, juggle, recite a poem or otherwise perform.

For more information contact Anne Gardner at 301-220-1721 or [annegrdnr@yahoo.com](mailto:annegrdnr@yahoo.com).

## Free Produce Date Changed to Oct. 30

The distribution date for free produce for the community has changed from Thursday, October 23 to Thursday, October 30 at Green Ridge House, 22 Ridge Road, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Do not park in the Green Ridge House parking lot. Volunteers will be on site to assist with loading cars. The next distribution will be Thursday, November 6 at Springhill Lake Elementary School, 6060 Springhill Drive, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The public may not enter the school until that time due to safety protocol.

## Spaghetti Dinner

October 18, 5-7 p.m.  
Mowatt United Methodist Church  
40 Ridge Rd, Greenbelt



\$10 Adults  
\$6 Children 5-12 years  
Under 4 free

Baked Goods for Sale

## Mishkan Torah Sponsors Walk

The Social Action Committee of Mishkan Torah Synagogue will sponsor the annual Help the Homeless Walk, which benefits the Community Crisis Center of Prince George's County. The event will be held on Sunday, October 19 at 12:45 p.m. The entire community is invited to participate.

The walk will commence at Mishkan Torah Synagogue, which is located at 10 Ridge Road. Participants should meet at 12:45 p.m., but arrive at 12:30 p.m. if they plan to register on the day of the walk.

The walk will proceed around Greenbelt Lake in Buddy Attick Park, a distance of approximately two miles. Registration for the walk is required in person at the event as stated above or online at [communitycrisis.org/Greenbelt-walk-to-end-homelessness-2/](http://communitycrisis.org/Greenbelt-walk-to-end-homelessness-2/). There is a registration fee.

The money raised will be used to help those in the community without homes. Funds go directly to the local nonprofit, Community Crisis Services, Inc. (CCSI), to support its Homeless Services Division, which includes the Warm Nights Emergency Hypothermia Shelter Program.

To learn more about CCSI, visit [facebook.com/CCSITalks](http://facebook.com/CCSITalks) or [communitycrisis.org](http://communitycrisis.org). To learn more about this event, email [socialaction@mishkantorah.org](mailto:socialaction@mishkantorah.org).

*More Community Events  
can be found  
throughout the paper.*

## Exploring Body Central on Oct. 24

Explorations Unlimited welcomes Gretchen Dunn on Friday, October 24. Dunn will demonstrate and discuss Body Central, a class in movement, not a dance class. Based on the work of Rudolf Laban and Irmgard Bartenieff, it will explore ways of moving that benefit those of us who are getting older. Balance, body sensing, investigation of sequential joint movement and challenging our ordinary ways of moving are covered in the program. Participants can use chairs as well as floor mats. Those who use canes or walkers are welcome!

Dunn, a retired occupational therapist and certified movement analyst, is interested in helping older adults retain or regain their ease of movement.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Community Center in room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

## Pro Bono Legal Workshop, Oct. 18

On Saturday, October 18, lawyers will lead a pro bono information workshop for county residents at Greenbelt Library from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Topics may include mortgage foreclosure prevention, loan modification, employment law, consumer credit claims, and police accountability.

Bring all relevant documents, advise the sponsoring county branches of NAACP (301-535-0993) and Community Legal Services (240-391-6532).

## Drop-in For Free Flu Shot Thursday

On Thursday, October 23 from 1 to 7 p.m., drop in for a free flu shot at Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane. Both intranasal (FluMist) and injectable (shot) vaccine will be offered. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Limited parking is available. No appointment is needed.

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## WEEK OF OCT 17

### FRIDAY - SATURDAY

Boxtrolls, PG  
11:25  
Annabelle, R (!! )  
1:40, 4:50, 7:05, 9:55  
The Equalizer, R (!! )  
11, 2, 4, 7:05, 9:25  
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible Bad Day, PG (!! )  
11:40, 1:50, 4:40, 7, 9:35  
Gone Girl, R  
11:15, 1:40, 4, 6:45, 9  
The Book of Life, in 3D, PG (!! )\*  
9:35  
The Book of Life, in 2D, PG (!! )\*  
11:15, 1:30, 4:50, 7:10  
Fury, R (!! )\*  
11, 2, 3:50, 6:45, 9:20  
Dracula Untold, PG-13 (!! )  
11:25, 2:20, 4:30, 7:25, 9:55  
Addicted, R (!! )  
11:50, 2:15, 4:45, 7:30, 10

### SUNDAY - WEDNESDAY

Boxtrolls, PG  
11:25  
Annabelle, R (!! )  
1:40, 4:50, 7:05  
The Equalizer, R (!! )  
11, 2, 4, 7:05  
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible Bad Day, PG (!! )  
11:40, 1:50, 4:40, 7  
Gone Girl, R  
11:15, 1:40, 4, 6:45  
The Book of Life, in 3D, PG (!! )\*  
1:30  
The Book of Life, in 2D, PG (!! )\*  
11:15, 4:50, 7:10  
Fury, R (!! )\*  
11, 2, 3:50, 6:45  
Dracula Untold, PG-13 (!! )  
11:25, 2:20, 4:30, 7:25  
Addicted, R (!! )  
11:50, 2:15, 4:45, 7:30

### THURSDAY

Boxtrolls, PG  
11:25  
Annabelle, R (!! )  
1:40, 4:50  
The Equalizer, R (!! )  
11, 2, 4  
Ouija, PG-13 (preshow)\*  
8  
John Wick, R (preshow)\*  
8  
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible Bad Day, PG (!! )  
11:40, 1:50, 4:40, 7  
Gone Girl, R  
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The Book of Life, in 3D, PG (!! )\*  
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Addicted, R (!! )  
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Utopia Film Festival Presents  
Sunday, Oct. 19th & Wednesday, October 22nd  
Beginning at 8 PM  
  
“Flicking Angels,” and  
“A Quest for Peace”  
  
On Greenbelt Access Television, Inc. (GATE)  
Comcast 77 & Verizon Fios 19 Channels

**Greenbelt Arts Center**  
**\*\* OPENING NOV 7<sup>TH</sup> \*\***  
  
**Death by Design**  
*A Comedy with Murder*  
*by Rob Urbinati*  
*directed by Ann Lowe-Barrett*  
**November 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 at 8:00**  
**November 9, 16, and 23 at 2:00**  
  
Ticket prices: \$20 General Admission,  
\$16 Students/Seniors/Military,  
\$14 Youth (12 and under with adult)  
  
**COMING SOON**  
GAC Annual Meeting – October 22 at 7:30pm  
A (Comic) Christmas Carol - Dec 5-7, 2014 - Guest production by The Renaissance Man  
The Chromatics - Dec 13 & 14, 2014 - Holiday Concert  
  
For information & reservations, call **301-441-8770** or  
email: [info@greenbeltartscenter.org](mailto:info@greenbeltartscenter.org) or  
**BOOK TICKETS ONLINE** at [www.greenbeltartscenter.org](http://www.greenbeltartscenter.org)  
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**Remembering Izzy Reception and  
Cartoon Contest Awards Ceremony**  
**Sunday, October 19 3 pm**  
**Greenbelt Community Center**  
**Everyone is Welcome**  
  
Sponsored by the Greenbelt News Review and the Greenbelt Museum



# Obituaries

## Dorothy Baluch

Dorothy Baluch died on October 14, at home. A memorial gathering is planned for later this fall.

## David Elliot Dodge

David E. Dodge died September 6, 2014, in Laurel, Md., at the age of 38. Born May 6, 1976, in Washington, D.C., he was the son of Lisa McFarland and the late Larry S. Dodge. As a child he lived in Takoma Park and Hyattsville before moving to Redondo Beach, Calif. with his mother. There he excelled in school and Cub and Boy Scouts as well as the Junior Life Guard program. He played all sports: soccer, football and baseball. He graduated from Rancho San Antonio High School. In adulthood he moved to Picayune, Miss., where his brother and his father's family had settled, and became a skilled dry-wall finisher and painter, working in construction. He returned to Maryland in 2006, living mostly in Greenbelt and Laurel.

Mr. Dodge is survived by his fiancée Danielle Reed of Laurel, his mother Lisa M. Tovar of San Pedro, Calif., his grandmother Kathleen McFarland of Greenbelt, his son Ethan A. Dodge of Carriere, Miss., and many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his father and his older brother Mick A. Dodge. A memorial service was held October 11 at Hope Baptist Church in Laurel.

## Ramon F. Reno

Ramon F. Reno, 86, died on August 21, 2014, in Las Cruces, N. Mex. He was a Greenbelter. After joining the U.S. Navy in 1945 and serving in the Korean War, "Ra" graduated from Aurora College and enrolled in Wesley United Methodist Seminary. He served as minister at several Methodist churches in Maryland. In retirement he volunteered with the restoration of the WWII Liberty Ship S.S. John W. Brown, docked in Baltimore Harbor, and was appointed the ship's first chaplain..

## Book Club to Discuss Women's Nonfiction

A discussion of literary nonfiction by women will be held by the College Park Arts Exchange Book Club on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Parish House. The book to be discussed October 21 is Busted: A Tale of Corruption and Betrayal in the City of Brotherly Love by Wendy Ruderman and Barbara Laker.

The Old Parish House is at 4711 Knox Road, College Park (corner of Knox and Dartmouth, near the Metro). Parking passes may be obtained at the door.



**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**  
Sundays 10 A.M.  
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ALL ARE WELCOME.



We were sorry to hear of the death of pioneer Greenbelter Ramon F. Reno, 86, on August 21, 2014 in Las Cruces, N. Mex.

Sympathy to the family and friends of longtime Greenbelter Dorothy Baluch, who died October 14, 2014, at home.

Condolences to the family and friends of longtime Greenbelter John P. Haslinger, 69, who died October 14, 2014. He was a retired teacher and guidance counselor for the Prince George's County schools.

Our sympathy to family and friends of David E. Dodge, who died recently in Laurel. He was the grandson of Kathleen McFarland, News Review staffer and author of this column.

Congratulations to Kristen Beauchamp, Jeriah Labbe and Jade Labbe who were selected as Miss, Junior Miss and Little Miss Greenbelt. And a big thank you to all of the contestants for providing great entertainment during the Labor Day Festival.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards and honors to share with our readers. To send information for Our Neighbors, email us at [newsreview@verizon.net](mailto:newsreview@verizon.net) or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

## New Organ Recital At St. Hugh's Oct. 25

St. Hugh of Grenoble Roman Catholic Church is holding a recital and blessing of the new church organ on Saturday, October 25, at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Hampson Sisler of New York City will perform a repertoire of sacred music that will showcase the full range and power of the new organ. He will be assisted by Dr. Christopher Linstrom and St. Hugh's choir under the direction of Jennifer Goltz. A dessert reception will follow the recital.

Following a significant fund drive, St. Hugh's parish has obtained the gently-used Rodgers Masterpiece organ. Installed last spring, the organ is played for services under the direction of the principal organist, Dr. Gerald Muller, who also is the director of music at Catholic University's seminary.

Linstrom, who lived in Greenbelt for many years, is a medical doctor as well as an active musician and singer. He has performed in the United States and abroad.

For questions about this free recital, contact the church during office hours at 301-474-4322. Information is also available on the church website [sthughofgrenoble.org](http://sthughofgrenoble.org).

## Workshop on Biblical Storytelling Oct. 25

Rev. Fay Lundin will be performing "So There We Were - Faith in the Storm," a collection of biblical stories of storms at sea on Friday, October 24 from 7 to 8 p.m. Then on Saturday, October 25 at 10 a.m., she will offer a 90-minute workshop on biblical storytelling. Both are free and will be held at Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church.

Long before the narratives of the Bible became "scripture" ("writing") they existed in oral form as stories shared in the faith community and passed down from generation to generation. Rev. Lundin, the pastor of Mowatt Memorial UMC, is a biblical storyteller and member of the Network of Biblical Storytellers International. The Saturday morning workshop introduces the art and spiritual discipline of telling the sacred stories of the Bible. Participants will learn to prepare, learn, and tell a biblical text by heart (not "memory") using the methods of the Network of Biblical Storytellers International. Even if they choose not to tell biblical stories by heart, using these techniques, participants will gain skills reading scripture aloud, and experience the sacred stories in a new light.

## Mowatt Holds Grief Support Workshops

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church, in partnership with Community Hospice, will be offering grief support workshops at the church at 40 Ridge Road.

Navigating the Grief Journey will be held on Tuesday, October 28 from 7 to 8 p.m. This workshop offers an understanding of grief experiences and coping strategies.

A Holiday Grief Workshop will be held on Wednesday, November 12 from 7 to 8 p.m. This workshop will help individuals cope with the stressors and challenges of the holidays after the loss of a loved one.

To register or for more information, contact Margaret Capurso at 301-560-6002 or [mcapurso@communityhospices.org](mailto:mcapurso@communityhospices.org).

## CPAE Photography Club Meets Tuesday

Photography buffs who want to attend and participate in The Underexposed, the photography club sponsored by College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE), may attend meetings on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road. For details visit [facebook.com/groups/photo20740](https://www.facebook.com/groups/photo20740).




**Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church**  
**40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt**  
Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors  
[www.greenbeltumc.org](http://www.greenbeltumc.org) 301-474-9410  
**Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor**



**Worship Service 10 a.m.**  
**Save the Date: Oct. 18 Spaghetti Dinner, 5 to 7pm**

**ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770**  
**301-474-4322**



**Mass Schedule:**  
**Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.**  
**Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.**  
**Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.**  
**Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.**

**Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe**


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**ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770**  
**301-474-4322**



**Organ Recital**  
**Blessing of New Organ**  
**Saturday, October 25, 6:30p.m.**

**Featuring Dr. Hampson Sisler and Dr. Christopher Linstrom**  
**All are invited. Reception to follow recital.**

**Greenbelt Community Church**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST




1 Hillside (at Crescent Road)  
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings  
[www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org](http://www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org)

Sunday Worship  
10:15 a.m.

Glennycie Grindstaff, Pastor



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**Rev. Mary Pullen - Pastor**  
**301-474-7573**  
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3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi  
Phone: 301-937-3666 [www.pbuuc.org](http://www.pbuuc.org)



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October 19, 10 a.m.  
Rev. Anya Sammler-Michael  
and Rev. Scott Sammler-Michael, guest preachers;  
with Carol Boston and Genie Ahearn, Worship Associates;  
and the PBUUC Chalice Dancers  
Rev. Scott and Rev. Anya Sammler-Michael honor our congregation's 60th Anniversary by exploring the nature of "Holy Ground" - the lands we consecrate with our beliefs and our intentions. Their reflections draw on their encounter with the disputed lands of Israel and Palestine. This service will include a ritual honoring PBUUC's remaining founding members.





# City Information

## MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF October 20-24

Monday, October 20 at 8:00pm, **WORK SESSION RE: Labor Day Festival** at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv)

Wednesday, October 22 at 8:00pm, **WORK SESSION re: Transit** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Thursday, October 23 at 7:00pm, **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Room 114. On the agenda: Approval of minutes – September and August meetings, Pumpkin Walk update, Forest Preserve assessment, Invasives in the forest preserve.

*This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.*

## VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Committee on Education, Arts Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability and Youth Advisory Committee

**For information call 301-474-8000.**

## ATTENTION LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The ninth annual Gobble Wobble 5K Family Fun Run & Walk is rapidly approaching. The Gobble Wobble has become a Thanksgiving morning tradition for many, as families join both novice and experienced runners for this great community event. The Greenbelt Recreation Department is seeking local businesses and organizations that would be interested in supporting the Gobble Wobble and continuing the growing success of the event. Businesses and organizations have three options (listed below) in sponsoring the 2014 Gobble Wobble 5K Family Fun Run & Walk.

- Bronze Sponsor (\$100)**
  - Logo on all print and electronic advertisements (includes event flyer/registration form, Greenbelt News Review, social media, and city website).
- Silver Sponsor (\$200)**
  - Logo on all print and electronic advertisements (see above).
  - Logo on back of race shirt given to all registrants.
- Gold Sponsor (\$300)**
  - Logo on all print and electronic advertisements (see above).
  - Logo on back of race shirt given to all registrants.
  - Sign (provided by business/organization) at start/finish line.
  - Promotion materials (provided by business/organization) will be placed in race packets given to all registrants.

The City of Greenbelt has traditionally received great support from local businesses and organizations. If your business/organization is interested in sponsoring this year's Gobble Wobble, please contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301-397-22000 or e-mail [aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov). All sponsorships must be received by Friday, October 31.

## Fall In Love at the Greenbelt Animal Shelter 550-A Crescent Road (behind Police Station) 301-474-6124



Kia was pulled from a car engine. He is a sweet but shy little guy who loves to play.

Sweetie pie found the shelter on her own. She sat in front of our gate and waited for an officer. Now she is waiting on a forever home. She is around a year.

**For the 'Fall in Love' adoption campaign, the shelter is waiving adoption fees (for approved adopters) for all adult cats.**

The shelter is open on Wednesdays 4-7pm and on Saturdays 9am-12pm



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**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Health & Wellness Fair**  
Tuesday, October 21, 2014 • 10am to 2pm  
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<b>CAREFIRST BCBS</b> Massage DermaScan	<b>ADVENTIST HEALTH CARE</b> Flu Shots - \$28 Pneumonia Shots - \$35 (Free with Medicare B Card)	<b>HEARING PROFESSIONALS</b> Hearing Screening
<b>VISITING ANGELS HEALTH CARE</b>	<b>FORTIS DENTAL CLINIC</b>	<b>ARTHRITIS AND THE MANAGEMENT OF PAIN</b>
<b>ALL SPORTS PHYSIOTHERAPY ASSOCIATES</b> Balance and Home Safety	<b>GIVES</b> Volunteer Services	<b>CENTER FOR VASCULAR MEDICINE</b>
<b>COMMUNITY CLINIC</b> Glucose and Blood Pressure Screenings	<b>COMMUNITY HOSPICE</b> Hospice & Grief Support	<b>GLENDIA WILLIS</b> Reflexology
<b>McCARL DENTAL GROUP</b> Dental	<b>PATUXENT WIDOWED PERSONS SERVICES</b>	<b>MARYLAND PHYSICIAN CARE</b> "Healthy Groove"
	<b>LIONS CLUB</b> Vision and Glaucoma Screenings	<b>AND MORE!</b>
	<b>BODY CENTRAL OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY</b>	

HOSTED BY: The City of Greenbelt  
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## SHREDDING DAY

Saturday, October 18 - 9am-12 noon  
Centerway parking lot behind the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union at 112 Centerway. Only 5 file boxes/bags per person. Personal records only (no business). No contaminants accepted. No plastic binders and sheets.  
Info: 240-542-2153

## ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25 from 9 a.m. - 12 noon**  
**Public Works Yard-555 Crescent Road**

City residents can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items.

Accepted items include: TVs, CPUs, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, laptop computers, recording equipment, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, fax machines, cameras, telephones, radios, DVD players, VCRs, batteries taped on one end, expanded polystyrene (block "Styrofoam" #6) – NO cups, egg-cartons, nor food trays.

**PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE IF YOU WANT TO DROP-OFF MORE THAN 10 ITEMS, IF YOU HAVE MULTIPLE STYROFOAM PIECES, OR ITEMS OVER 50 LBS.**

For further information, contact the Greenbelt Recycling Office at 240-542-2153.

## OFFICIAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 10-508(a)(4) of the State Government Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, an Executive Session of the Greenbelt City Council will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2014, at 8:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in Room 201 of the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss a business relocation to Greenbelt.

Cindy Murray CMC, City Clerk

## Free Flu Shot Clinic

Thursday, October 23  
1:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
Springhill Lake Recreation Center  
6101 Cherryhill Road

Drop In For A FREE Flu Shot. Limited Parking Available. No Appointment Needed. Both intranasal (FluMist®) and injectable (shot) vaccine will be offered. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. This community event is a great opportunity for all family members, 6 months and older to get their FREE flu shots!

## School Board Candidates Debate

**Thursday, October 23**  
**7:30pm to 9:00pm**  
**Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road**  
Hosted by the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) will host a debate between the two candidates for School Board in District 2. There will be a reception hosted by ACE members starting at 7:00pm.

## Candidates:

**Peggy Higgins and Lupi Grady**

The debate is open to the public and will be carried live on Greenbelt Municipal Access Channel 71, Verizon 21, and streamed live at [www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv)

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DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION  
Business Office: 301.397.2200  
[www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation)

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Saturday, October 18th  
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- Live music by Silver City
- Hayrides
- Moonbounces & Inflatables
- \$1 Pumpkin Patch
- KidCare ID's by Greenbelt Police Department
- Face Painting
- Pumpkin Decorating
- Temporary Tattoos
- Community Groups Info Tables
- Games and Crafts
- Knights of Columbus Soccer Shootout

FOR EVENT INFORMATION:  
301.397.2200  
WEATHER INFORMATION  
HOTLINE:  
301.474.0646



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“This pageant has really just opened me up and taken me out of my shell and given me all the self confidence that I really needed,” she said.

Little Miss Greenbelt

Jade Labbe, 10, said she wants to be an actress and dancer. In her free time she likes to dance, draw and play outside with friends. One of her favorite subjects is science because she likes experiments. Similar to her sister, she enjoys grammar and writing. Jade won the Most Spirited award and her mom wasn’t surprised.

“She was really excited about the pageant and that is why she was getting everyone pumped up about the dance, the interview and the pageant walk. She gave it her all,” said Tasha.

“I think the pageant is a really fun way to express yourself,” said Jade.

The pageant is a way to grow self-confidence.

“Speaking loud and pronouncing my words is kind of hard especially on a big stage when everyone is staring at you, but you just have to have confidence to speak and show your true self.”

“I’m very proud to see their growth and their tenacity in sticking with the pageant and working hard to make progress in their personal areas,” said Tasha.

The girls will continue to raise money for charity groups. They will be attending community service events every month. The first Sunday of every month, the winners attend Artful Afternoon at the Community Center, where they help with the arts and crafts.

“The girls are not just wearing a crown, they are doing work and helping in the community,” said Jewell.

*Valerie Young is a University of Maryland journalism student writing for the News Review.*



2104 Miss Greenbelt contestants. Back row, from left: Jade Kienas, Elta Goldstein, Alisha Karley, Allison Beatrez, Amber Stone, Jenny Grier, Brianna Devlin, Alejandra Vides, Ellie Iheghihu, Kyla Scott, Jeriah Labbe, Kristen Beauchamp, Esme Halsey-Collins and Emily Birkhead. Middle row, from left: Jade Labbe, Trinity Lun, Leah Novick, Giulia Blough, Sophia Ramos, Ava Howard, Ruby Maul, Theresa Keith, Katherine Larkin, Yasmine Nolan and Emari Jones. Front row, from left: Cynthia Quinton, Yasmyn Switzer and Sarah Larkin.



Yasmine Nolan leads the Little Miss Greenbelt contestants to the stage.



Jeriah Labbe receives her crown and sash from Sarah Larkin, 2013 Miss Greenbelt.

Little Miss contestants perform their dance routine on Friday of Labor Day Weekend.



Alisha Karley and Sarah Larkin flee the rain on Sunday.

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Miss Greenbelt  
Pageant Winners

Little Miss  
Jade Labbe: Little Miss Greenbelt, Most Spirited  
Ava Howard: First Runner-Up  
Katherine Larkin: Second Runner-Up, Miss Congeniality  
Trinity Lun: Third Runner-Up, Miss Photogenic  
Yasmine Nolan: Fourth Runner-Up  
Theresa Keith: Fundraiser Award  
Contestants: Giulia Blough, Emari Jones, Ruby Maul, Leah Novick, Sophia Ramos

Junior Miss  
Jeriah Labbe: Junior Miss Greenbelt  
Brianna Devlin: First Runner-Up, Miss Photogenic, Most Spirited  
Alejandra Vides: Second Runner-Up, Tessa Osborne Award, Miss Congeniality  
Allison Beatrez: Third Runner-Up  
Kyla Scott: Fundraiser Award  
Contestants: Jenny Grier, Ellie Iheghihu, Amber Stone

Miss Greenbelt  
Kristen Beauchamp: Miss Greenbelt, Fundraiser Award, Miss Congeniality  
Esme Halsey-Collins: First Runner-Up  
Alisha Karley: Second Runner-Up, Top Scholar, Miss Photogenic  
Jade Kienas: Most Spirited  
Contestants: Emily Birkhead, Elta Goldstein



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attachment). The voter may also choose to call the county board of elections and ask to have a ballot application mailed or to go to the county office in person to fill out an application.

In applying for the ballot by any method, the voter will designate a preference either to receive the ballot by mail or to be notified to download it electronically from the state board of elections website.

After the application deadlines have passed, a late absentee ballot application would have to be completed in person at the county board of elections office. For information about late ballot applications, call the board office at 301-341-7300.

Voters who cannot themselves go to the county board of elections office may designate someone to take their completed application form to the county board and pick up the ballot. Doing so requires completion of a “designation of agent” form, which is available online or from the county board of elections office. The ballot itself will contain detailed instructions for completing

and returning it.

**Ballot Deadline**

A voted absentee ballot must either be mailed with a postmark no later than November 4 or delivered in person to the county board of elections office no later than 8 p.m. on November 4. Ballots cannot be submitted online or by email or fax. Nor can they be taken to an early voting center or to a polling place on election day. A ballot mailed by November 4 must be received by the county board of elections office no later than November 14.

**Overseas Voters**

The previous deadlines apply as well to overseas and military voters. Detailed information for Maryland voters abroad is given at [elections.maryland.gov/overseas\\_voters](http://elections.maryland.gov/overseas_voters).

For questions on absentee voting, go to [elections.state.md.us/voting/absentee.html](http://elections.state.md.us/voting/absentee.html), or contact the Prince George’s County Board of Elections, 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, Largo, MD 20774, 301-341-7300 or [election@co.pg.md.us](mailto:election@co.pg.md.us). Operating hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Pepco will “still be Pepco,” and that Excelon recognizes local control is important to successful operations. Although Pepco and BG&E will be owned by the same company, they will continue to operate separately. Pepco will maintain its current regulation by Maryland, Virginia and D.C.

**Energy Programs**

Marinelli began the work-session with a presentation on Pepco’s Energy Efficiency Programs. \$124 million in cash incentives are available to Maryland Pepco and Delmarva Power customers to achieve a goal of 15 percent reduction in per capita energy consumption, she said. These include in-store discounts on energy saving lighting; rebates for purchase of Energy Star appliances; cooling appliance recycling; quick home energy checkups that provide free light bulbs; rebates for energy saving home improvements, such as added insulation, and for air conditioning replacements; and assistance for those below certain income levels.

There are also energy rewards for those who agree to install programmable thermostats or outdoor switches to limit use of heating and air conditioning on peak usage days. Pepco also has a variety of incentives for commercial and industrial users.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts noted that both he and his

mother had quick home energy checkups and had had light bulbs replaced but that his mother later complained about not having enough light. It was noted that energy saving compact fluorescent bulbs take time to become fully bright after being turned on.

Mayor Emmett Jordan asked if Pepco could give a breakdown of community members participating in the energy saving programs.

**Pole Replacements**

Watkins provided council with an update on Pepco’s program to replace utility poles and remove trees and branches that might cause future outages. She said they wrapped up doing what she called “liability work” in June. There is still landscape repair work to be done, she said, and Verizon and Comcast still have to move their lines to many of the new poles, resulting in double poles in the interim.

Jordan asked if Pepco notified Verizon and Comcast that the poles are in place. Pasternak said they did, but when Davis asked when the lines would be moved, he said that he can’t speak for them – they have different priorities. Pasternak said Pepco had some control over Comcast, but not over Verizon. He said in this instance these utilities might be more responsive to requests made by the city government.

When asked how one can tell which wires belong to which utility, Pasternak said that Pepco wires are at least four feet above the others. Those wires are generally below the street lights. However, if someone sees a loose wire, they should immediately call Pepco, lest anyone should mistake a live electric wire for a telephone cable.

Jordan asked if meters installed three years ago are showing benefit. Pasternak said a resident could monitor usage of electricity on an hour by hour basis and then shift usage to off-peak hours. Pepco can “ping” the meters after an outage to see if power has been restored to a particular place. When there is an outage, workers can tell if it affects only a few homes or many, and thus prioritize their work.

With the new meters, there is no longer a need to do estimated readings, Pasternak said. However, homeowners can arrange to pay an average monthly billing to avoid extremely high bills during peak periods.

Concerning outages, Pasternak talked about flickering lights. If a tree limb falls on a wire causing a short, lights will flicker as a check is run to see if the limb has fallen or is continuing to short the system. After three unsuccessful checks, the system will shut down and the lights will go out, he said.

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# Hispanic Heritage Month Marked with Music, More

by Joey Trull

Local radio station El Zol 107.9 celebrated National Hispanic Heritage Month on October 5 with an event complete with drawings and prizes at the Beltway Plaza Mall.

The event was to celebrate children and their families’ origin countries and heritages as part of National Hispanic Heritage Month, which takes place annually from September 15 through October 15.

The grand prize of the event was a \$500 shopping spree at the Beltway Plaza Mall.

The event took place in the center of the mall in front of the movie theater surrounded by food establishments and other shopping attractions. Lively Hispanic music could be heard throughout the mall as well as outside in the parking lot.

El Zol 107.9’s popular on-air personalities Patricia De Lima, DJ Solido and DJ Xplosive Boom played music while coordinating contests throughout the event for prize giveaways.

De Lima was friendly and took pictures with the dozens of people in line to sign up for the shopping spree as the event kicked off at 3 p.m.

Children were allowed to spin a large prize wheel for prizes that included Annabelle movie posters and masks, plastic cups, sunglasses, t-shirts, towels, candy and more.

Adults also signed up to win tickets for a D.C. United soccer game and tickets to the new movie Annabelle.

Smiling parents watched from seats surrounding the mall area with the radio event in the center as children played musical chairs to win a mall gift card. The children’s heritages included Mexico, Honduras, El Salvador, among other countries.

A young boy with El Salvadoran heritage won the musical chairs game and was awarded a gift card. He told De Lima he was going to buy new shoes with the prize money.

After awarding the gift card, the DJs allowed more children to roll a giant die for smaller prizes.

De Lima called more children to the center of the event area to play a version of Simon Says which quickly was exchanged for another round of musical chairs due to some of the children’s shyness. The prize winner, a young girl whose family is from Honduras, earned a ticket to the movie Annabelle.

This is the first celebratory partnership for Hispanic Heritage Month between Beltway Plaza Mall and El Zol 107.9, said Director of Marketing for Beltway Plaza Mall Janubi Devendra.

Devendra explained that they chose for the event to take place on a Sunday during Hispanic Heritage Month due to the regularly high Hispanic shopping traffic.

Devendra said they wanted to have the event in October since most celebrations for the heritage month take place in September.

Talon, D.C. United’s feathered mascot, danced and took pictures with the children playing musical chairs for prizes before the grand prize drawing. Talon also played a round of musical chairs with adults competing for tickets to D.C. United games.

Veronica Manso, whose nation of origin is Mexico, won the drawing for the \$500 mall gift card. Manso promptly took her family into the adjacent Kids Footlocker to kick off the shopping spree.

De Lima drew more names from the box to award more tickets to adults for D.C. United soccer games.

The crowd grew to over a hundred before the event was halfway over. Because of the high turnout and success of the event, Devendra said she expects the mall and radio station to partner again next year.

*Joey Trull is a University of Maryland graduate student in journalism writing for the News Review.*

## Russian Ensemble Oct. 19 in Beltsville

The public is invited to hear the Russian choral group Lyra sing portions of the Divine Liturgy in Old Slavonic on Sunday, October 19 at 10 a.m. at St. Gregory of Nyssa Byzantine Catholic Church in Beltsville.

Lyra consists of professional musicians who sing in different churches in St. Petersburg. Some are also soloists at musical theaters in that city. They are touring the United States and use their performances to introduce the musical heritage of the Russian Orthodox Church, as well as traditions of Russian folk music, to all people interested in Russia, its history and culture.

There is no fee. Coffee and desserts afterward.

St. Gregory’s is located at 12420 Old Gunpowder Road Spur in Beltsville. To reach the Spur, turn east from Old Gunpowder at the bottom of the hill onto Sinope.

For more information call 301-953-9323.

## National Arboretum Free Flower Show

On Saturday, October 18 from 1 to 4 p.m. and Sunday, October 19 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. the U.S. National Arboretum will hold the free National Capital Area Flower Show. Educational talks and creative horticulture exhibits on photography, art and design will be presented by members of District garden clubs and National Arboretum staff. See judged entries of annuals, perennials, woody plants, grasses and floral arrangements. Sponsored by National Capital Area Garden Clubs, Inc.

## Free Diabetes Support Group

Doctors Community Hospital will hold a free diabetes support group on Monday, October 20 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be at 8100 Good Luck Road on the 5th floor of the North Building. To register call 301-324-4968.

# “Are You Ready?” Event in Greenbelt

by Sharadha Kalyanam

On Sunday morning, September 28, Boy Scout Kristopher Weene was busy tying up a wound. Using a bamboo stick and bandanas, he was stabilizing his fellow-scout Brian’s leg, as part of a safety drill.

“We are fixing Brian’s leg pretending like it was broken. We put a splint on it using two bandanas and two bamboo sticks,” he said, explaining how emergency preparedness is indispensable, especially during a hiking trip.

Weene is a senior patrol leader with Boy Scout Troup #746 and was participating at the second Annual “Are You Ready?” event organized by a number of state and Greenbelt organizations, including Greenbelt Homes, Inc.; the Greenbelt Police Department; Maryland Defense Force; Animal Response Teams of Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management and Home Security; Laurel Community Emergency Response Team; Berwyn Heights CERT; Greenbelt Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC); and Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

The Roosevelt Center on Sunday saw an impressive turnout of people who flocked in with their children and their pets to see what was in store. The gallery area of the Center had several stalls put up by various volunteer groups which had come to convey their messages and suggestions to people on how to cope with an emergency.

The key message for the day was preparing for a disaster and to protect families and pets in case of a calamity using an emergency plan of action.

Howard Edelstein, from the Animal Response Team of the Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, suggested that it was very important for people to plan for their pets in case of a disaster. “When you evacuate you want to always make sure you take your animal with you,” he said.

The key recommendation was to have enough supplies on-the-go. “If you need to go in a hurry you must have it all ready to go: food, water, a picture with your animal, medicines. Another good thing is to have a buddy system with your neighbor so that if you are not at home and something occurs, they can take care of your animals for you,” he said.

### Hurricane Katrina

The whole idea of having an emergency plan for your pets sprung up after Hurricane Katrina, Edelstein said. In New Orleans, Louisiana and the surrounding area, people put their own lives at risk to save their animals.

“Since they weren’t allowing animals during the rescue operations, there were a lot of them stuck. Thousands and thousands of animals died and a lot of people died because they wanted



PHOTO BY SHARADHA KALYANAM

Kristopher Weene doing a mock medical procedure on his fellow Boy Scout.

to stay with their animals and did not want to abandon them,” he said.

Edelstein encouraged people to plan for their farm animals too. “Make sure that if you need to evacuate there are vehicles to get them out of there and that you have several routes. If you can’t take them along, make sure you let them out into the field and do not keep them cooped up in the barn,” he said.

He said that animals should not be left chained up because in case of a disaster they will not be able to run for their lives. “Earthquakes, hurricanes, fires, snowstorms – when you want to leave, take them with you. Plan ahead. Plan for yourself and plan for the animals,” he said.

GHI staff discussed their disaster preparedness plan too. PSAC displayed a number of FEMA pamphlets on the same subject, some in Spanish and some in Braille.

Alice A. Mitchell, Affiliate Assistant Professor of Counseling, Higher Education and Special Education at the University of Maryland, was at Roosevelt Center on Sunday spending time with hearing impaired people – something she does every week. After seeing the event, she decided to attend it. “I’ve lived through some emergencies myself: earthquake, fire alarms, overheating appliances. Knowing how to behave in such situations decreases damage, certainly decreases injury, protects life and all those good things,” she said.

### 72-hour Kit

To all the visitors at her stall, Karen Holmes, staff sergeant at the Maryland Defense Force, had only one thing to say: “Be ready. Make your own 72-hour kit.”

She said that the kit comes in handy in case of a disaster. “Your 72-hour kit should have cash, medication, clothing for a couple of days to change in and out of and wash, food, water, batteries,

flashlights, portable transistor radio, candles and all kinds of stuff you can grab and go,” she said.

“Personally I have one in my car and one at the front door of my house and one in my office. I have kits in all three locations. It is better to be ready and be safe instead of waiting for something to happen,” said Holmes.

She also said that it should be done for each family member. “That way the kit or bag is for a person’s needs,” she said.

“We work as a community liaison. When something like Hurricane Sandy came up or a couple of weeks ago at Baltimore when the Star-Spangled Spectacular was there, I got activated to go up to the Maryland Emergency Management Agency and I was working in the Maryland Joint Operation Center. And we coordinated stuff with the military at various locations,” she said.

Chief Thomas J. Ray from the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Inc. was manning another stall and couldn’t stress enough that each family have a plan to handle an emergency and that family members should sit and discuss to come up with a plan.

“You always want to come up with a plan before an emergency arrives. Like a safe place to meet outside and don’t go back inside once you’re out,” he said.

Meanwhile, scout Weene was performing an emergency drill on another patient: Jaky Lilly, a stay-at-home mom from Greenbelt. “I really liked the homemade stretcher. It was a good idea and you can make that yourself. If you couldn’t get to emergency services right away you will be able to stabilize yourself. It is an important skill,” she said.

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Canine Good Citizen Test to Raise Funds

On Sunday, October 19, Allie W. Lee, professional obedience instructor, owner of Greenbelt Dog Training and a certified American Kennel Club (AKC) certified Canine Good Citizen (CGC) evaluator, will be administering a dog training test at the Greenbelt Fire Department on Crescent Road from noon to 3 p.m. For more information go to [greenbeltdogtraining.com/](http://greenbeltdogtraining.com/). There is a fee, with all proceeds donated to Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

How will a dog and its owner react in a crowd when distractions happen – a horn blaring, a bicyclist out of nowhere or children approaching the dog too quickly? The AKC created the CGC in 1989 to evaluate how observant owners and their dogs will react to sudden distractions. For more information go to [akc.org/dogowner/training/canine\\_good\\_citizen/links.cfm](http://akc.org/dogowner/training/canine_good_citizen/links.cfm). Dogs will be tested in the order they arrive and register. The test takes 10-15 minutes: plan a half hour for each dog tested.

Additional activities (for an extra fee) include: A Micro-chip Clinic by Roxie's Fund Rescue group. Micro-chipping is the recognized as the best way to find a lost animal. Pictures of owners and their pets will be taken for a fee. A nice holiday card idea?

Karen Haynes, Therapy Dogs, Inc., will be evaluating potential therapy dogs. Pre-registration for therapy dog evaluation is required. Contact Karen at 301-372-1117 or [karenmelhayes@yahoo.com](mailto:karenmelhayes@yahoo.com).

MakerSpace Creative Halloween Activities

Halloween is coming to the Greenbelt MakerSpace! The remainder of the month has many activities to entertain all ages. Got the perfect Halloween costume idea, but aren't quite sure how to make it happen? Perhaps the sewing instructions for that Frozen dress were written in another language? Or maybe some some blinking LEDs will take that costume to the next level?

Greenbelt MakerSpace will be hosting Costume Clinics on Sunday, October 19 at noon and Wednesday, October 29 at 7 p.m. to help with those Halloween duds. Stop by for sewing and construction advice, use our tools, and learn to bling up a costume with e-textiles. Bring ideas and materials!

Looking for more tech and less cloth? Join MakerSpace the next three Thursday evenings (starting October 16) at 7:30 p.m., to learn how to make a dropping spider, talking skeletons and pumpkins, moving skulls, and other fun electronic gadgets to surprise your house guests. Warning: A few of our creations might be operational for the annual costume contest and parade on Thursday, October 30, from 4 to 5 p.m.

On Friday, October 24, between 5 and 9 p.m., come on down to get decorations ready! Light up your walk with glowing eyes, ghostly specters, and creepy pumpkins. Procrastinators may join us Thursday, October 30, between 6:30 and 8 p.m., to make sugar skulls to creep out their friends. It's a Day of the Dead tradition! – George Boyce

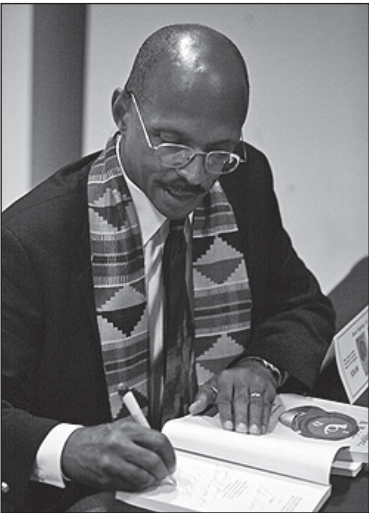
Series on African American History at Greenbelt Library

by Auburn Mann

Greenbelt Public Library has long been the scene for learning through scholastically based dialogue. This tradition continues this fall with the return of the weekly African History lecture series. Headed by the library's frequent guest African American historian C.R. Gibbs, the series will take place every Tuesday evening until November 18. In addition to Gibbs' contribution, the series will headline a dynamic assortment of speakers and provocative topics.

On September 16, the series kicked off with Gibbs' presentation on the history of the "N" word and its inherent evils. "It's one of the most inflammatory racial epithets that is still in the English lexicon," said Gibbs, who spent the evening providing the historical context behind the word. Gibbs employed a plethora of graphic visuals, statistical data and gripping anecdotal examples to illustrate his ultimate point. "There is great pain and degradation behind that word," he said.

"Many didn't want me to give this presentation," Gibbs revealed. Referring to the shortened slang form in which the word has been transformed from its original "er" suffix to feature an "a" sound that is commonly associated with contemporary hip-hop culture,



C.R. Gibbs

Gibbs said, "It's still the same word, no matter how you spell it."

He went on: "Words have meaning, words have power."

Six Books

Gibbs, an award-winning scholar, is author and co-author of six books on subjects ranging from black innovation and their martial contributions to the U.S. Civil War to the demographic shifts in Georgetown. He has been giving presentations around the Washington metropolitan region for over 25 years.

The proliferation and longevity of the series, which originated in the Frances A. Gregory Library

in southeast Washington in 1989, is evident. "We are the longest running, continuous lecture series on African history and culture on the east coast," declared Gibbs.

Also participating in the series was the renowned D.C. statehood proponent, Green Party activist, former NASA astrodynamacist and black Civil War expert Asa Gordon, who spoke about reparations on September 23. On October 7 Afrocentric fashion historian Rosemary Reed-Miller presented the chronology of Afro-American fashion designers and lecturer Sam El-Amin enlightened the audience on Africa's connection to the Middle Age crusades.

Steady Consistency

Librarian Elizabeth Wilkins, who occasionally assists with presentations at the library, has witnessed the series' consistency over her tenure at the Greenbelt branch. "He [Gibbs] has a loyal following," she said, "of people that can come from quite a distance."

Gibbs described his overall mission as being to educate and empower. "People don't respect you if they feel you don't have a history worth respecting. I want to show that we have brought many things of significance to humanity's narrative", he said.

Auburn Mann is a University of Maryland journalism student writing for the News Review.

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Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

**Arrest**  
October 5, 11:35 a.m., 6100 block Greenbelt Road. A 19-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with theft and false statement during a shoplifting investigation at Target. He was transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

**Indecent Exposure**  
October 7, 12:40 a.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. Two male teens about 18 to 20 years old rode up to a woman walking toward Breezewood Drive and began taunting her, making profane remarks and calling her names. At one point one of them exposed himself. Both men fled upon seeing a police officer in the area.

**Theft**  
October 5, 8:45 a.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A black and red mountain bike locked in a bike rack at Beltway Plaza Mall was taken.

October 6, 8:45 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive. A man walking down the street was approached by another man who grabbed his notebook-type computer from his hand. He then ran to a nearby car and fled in what was described as a 4-door silver Toyota Corolla.

October 8, 4:43 p.m., 100 block Centerway. A wallet was removed from an unsecured locker at the Aquatic and Fitness Center.

**Burglary**  
October 2, 3:45 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. An attempt was made to break in a

residence by pulling the window screen off and breaking out the window. Entry was not gained.

October 7, 8 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road. A witness saw a male, described only as being short, take a black and gray Thruster Fusion bicycle from the patio of a residence.

**Vehicle Crime**  
A 1999 Dodge Caravan taken from the 7700 block Hanover Parkway was recovered by Bowie police in the 16700 block Governor's Bridge Road. No arrests were made.

An attempted theft from auto occurred in the 7800 block Mandan Road when a car was rummaged through after a window was broken. Nothing was taken.

Thefts from autos were reported in the 7800 block Mandan Road (front license tag), 6100 block Breezewood Court (rear license plate) and 6300 block Golden Triangle Drive (catalytic converter).

Thefts from autos in which windows were broken to gain entry occurred in the 7800 block Mandan Road (laptop computer and notebook-type computer) and 7100 block Mathew Street (text books).

Thefts from unsecured autos occurred in the 6000 block Greenbelt Road (money, credit card and social security card) and 9100 block Edmonston Court (dog grooming equipment).

Vandalism occurred in the 9100 block Edmonston Road (passenger side window was broken) and 6500 block Lake Park Drive (paint was scratched).

City Completes Energy Efficiency Projects for First of Two Grants

In March 2013 the City of Greenbelt was designated a Smart Energy Community through the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA). The goal of the program is to help local governments adopt policies for long-term sustained energy savings and renewable energy development. The benefits of becoming a Smart Energy Community include: statewide recognition as a leader in energy and sustainability; reduced greenhouse gas emissions and utility expenses; and eligibility for state grant money.

To qualify as a Smart Energy Community, the city adopted policies in two categories established by MEA. First, an energy efficiency policy that requires the city to develop a goal and plan for reducing energy consumption by 15 percent in city-owned buildings within five years. Second, a renewable energy policy requires the city to reduce conventional electricity generation and meet 20 percent of the electricity demands of the city's buildings with renewable energy generation by 2022.

Upon adopting the policies, the City became eligible for grant funding through MEA. The first grant of \$63,935 was used to replace lights at a number of city facilities:

– The interior lights at the swimming pool in the Aquatic and Fitness Center. Eighteen 400-watt metal halide fixtures were replaced with LED fixtures using only 169 watts, a 58 percent reduction. These lights also have sensors for daylight harvest-



Close view of light installation.

ing, which allows them to use less energy on bright days.

– The exterior lights at the outdoor pool, eight 400-watt metal halide fixtures were replaced with 171-watt LED fixtures and four 1500-watt metal halide fixtures were replaced with 263-watt LED fixtures, reductions of 58 and 82 percent respectively.

– Gym lights at the Youth Center, 12 400-watt metal halide fixtures were replaced with eight

146-watt LED fixtures and four 98-watt fixtures with a dimming system.

Gym lights at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 15 400-watt metal halide fixtures were replaced with 172-watt LED fixtures.

The energy efficiency improvements will result in estimated cost savings of 65 percent in the areas where LED fixtures were installed. The projects also increased lumen output and improved lighting.

A second grant of \$80,000 will be used for energy efficiency improvements at the Police Station and the Public Works facility over the next six months.

As a result of these and other efforts, electricity consumption at city facilities was nine percent lower than 2012 consumption. "The completion of this project has put the city well on its way toward achieving the goal of reducing consumption by 15 percent by 2017," said Jim Sterling, assistant director of Public Works.

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### Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance Celebrate Co-op Month 2014 in Greenbelt

**Oct. 18 9-12 noon**  
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**Oct. 19 1-3pm**  
GHI Picnic, Hamilton Place

**Oct. 19 3-5pm**  
Greenbelt News Review & Museum "Remembering Izzy Reception and Cartoon Contest Awards", Community Center.

**Oct. 21 10am-2pm**  
Evergreen Health Co-op at City Health Fair, Community Center

**Oct. 26**  
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**Oct. 29 5-7**  
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## Notice of the Annual Membership Meeting of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative

The Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative will hold its Annual Meeting on Saturday, November 8, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in the Multi-purpose Room( 2nd floor) of the Greenbelt Community Center.  
Light refreshments will be served.

The agenda includes:  
Reports by the Treasurer and the General Manager.  
Election of three members to the Board of Directors

Two incumbents – Barbara Ford and Linda Ivy – are running for re-election. The GCC is seeking another member willing to serve as a Director. The terms of the remaining directors – Bill Jones, Bill Stoddard, Michele Touchet and Joe Timer have not expired.

Presentation of the Jim Cassels' Community Service Award to this year's recipient.

According to the Co-op's by-laws, 25 members constitute a quorum. In the absence of a quorum, those present can schedule another meeting, which can proceed even in the absence of a quorum.

A drawing for door prizes will be held after the business portion of the meeting.

Call 301-474-0522 with questions.  
Note: Voting members have \$100.00 in their member capital account.



# Master Gardening Taught By Extension Offices

by Margaret Beblasis

Esther Mitchell, coordinator of Prince George’s County Extension for the Master Gardener program, was alone in the Greenbelt Library’s book discussion room when the building opened Saturday morning. “Sometimes we get a crowd and sometimes we don’t,” Mitchell said.

October 4 was one of those latter days. Elizabeth Wilkins, librarian, said the turnout for these programs is usually better, but due to this one being rescheduled from September and a lack of flyers to hang on bulletin boards, no one attended this time.

“It’s mutually beneficial for us because it fills their mission to share knowledge and the public likes it,” Wilkins said. “It’s a pretty good copasetic program.”

The Master Gardener program is organized by the University of Maryland Extension Offices in most counties and Baltimore City, according to its website. For the past 10 years, Master Gardeners have been certifying properties as ‘baywise,’ which can reduce property taxes. In Prince George’s County, the program intends to provide homeowners with information to protect the environment, with special emphasis on maintaining the tree canopy.

“Trees offer natural air conditioning,” Mitchell said during her presentation. “Trees are least expensive considering the impact due to size. You may pay a lot, but it ends up providing you with so many benefits that you will recoup what you spent on that tree and more as far as oxygen and heating bills.”

Voluntary, Master Gardeners members have over 40 hours of training on a variety of topics, from Saturday’s Trees for the Home Gardener program to Herbs for Cooking, an option Wilkins said was more popular. They also teach seminars at local plant stores like Behnke Nurseries and community colleges, as well as offer programs geared toward children.

When she moved to Greenbelt 15 years ago, Mitchell’s backyard was nothing but a huge hill. After growing up in Washington, D.C., with a love for flowers and space in the yard, she and her husband Ernest decided to plant a garden.

Mitchell took a few classes on perennials, but when those flowers died, she continued taking classes until she earned her horticultural certificate. Twelve years ago, she looked into the Master Gardener program in the county, applied and took the courses so she could become certified.

“I like to beautify things,” she said. “I like for people to appreciate nature and what nature can provide them with that money can’t such as songbirds and butterflies and trees that produce leaves and flowers that you can’t get anywhere else.

“It’s like a sunset,” she continued. “You can’t buy a sunset. You either take a picture and keep it or that’s it: it’s gone forever.”

Trees, as Mitchell said in her presentation, leave a living legacy

and become “part of the community environment.” When she first moved in on her block, her neighbors didn’t have many trees or flowers. “People saw what we did out front,” she said, “and that got people really fixing up their yards. “If we’re using trees as a source of living, then it becomes natural as to have trees around as it is for us to breathe.”

For information and dates and location, telephone 301-868-8281 or email [estherm@umd.edu](mailto:estherm@umd.edu).

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Celebrating the opening of the new headquarters of the Bozzuto Group are from left to right – Thomas Himler, David Iannucci, Toby Bozzuto, County Council Chair Mel Franklin, County Councilmember Ingrid Turner, County Executive Rushern Baker, Thomas Bozzuto, Mayor Emmett Jordan, Councilmember Judith Davis, Gwen McCall and an unidentified man.

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# Retro Town Fair Brings Forth a Bit of Nostalgia and Applauds Local Efforts

by Megan Young

The Greenbelt Museum has announced the winners from the Retro Town Fair 2014 held at the 60th Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. This was the second year of the Retro Town Fair. The fair was designed to show the early days of Greenbelt and the home arts typical of the 1930s.

### Vegetables

**Best in Show:** Jackson Tuthill – Pumpkin

**First Place:** Jackson Tuthill – Pumpkin;  
Robert Trumble – Burpee’s Steakhouse Tomato;  
Charlotte Schomburg – Ancho Magnifico Peppers;  
Cynthia Newcomer – Red Peppers;  
Dorian Asch – Bella Italia Sweet Frying Peppers;  
Andrea Marcavitch – Cherry tomatoes

**Second Place:** Andrea Marcavitch – Burpee Tomato from seed;  
Charlotte Schomburg – Aji Dulce Sweet Pepper;  
Lore Rosenthal – Zucchini and Beans

**Third Place:** Anne Marie Bolton – Zucchini

### Needlework

**Best in Show:** Cindy Cummings – Beaded Blue Green Hat and Bag

**First Place:** Janice Wolfe – A Cottage Garden Counted Cross-Stitch;  
Bonnie Shields – Pajama Bag and Quilt;  
Leta Mach – Table Runner

**Second Place:** Piri Jacobs – Doll;  
Rebekah Sutfin – Quilt;  
Suzanne Lomax – Sampler;  
Marian McLaw (mother of Bonnie Shields) – Angora Baby Coat;  
Bonnie Shields – Christening Set

**Third Place:** Julia Kender – Tablecloth;  
Susan De Platchett – “The Heart Never Wrinkles”;  
Andrea Marcavitch – Acorn Hat;  
Kimberly Keyes – Dragon;  
Suze Marley – Potholder

### Canned Goods

**First Place:** Charlotte Schomburg – Tomato Sauce  
Robert Trumble – Peach Tomato Salsa;  
Misha Bernard – Pears in Red Wine Sauce;  
Eileen Murray – 5 Spice Beans;  
Joanne Maas – White Stacked Peaches

**Second Place:** John Klinovsky – Jam;  
Katherine Plaisant – Rhubarb Jam;  
Misha Bernard – Cherry Cranberry Jam;  
Megan Kraft – Dilly Beans;  
Ladies Lakeside Cooperative – Tomato Pasta Sauce

**Third Place:** John Leslie – Hot Pepper Mustard;  
Misha Bernard – Dilly Beans;  
Amy Kraft – Ratatouille

### Flowers

**Best in Show:** Helen Sydavar

**First Place;** Larry Weisel – Milk bottle natural presentation  
**Second Place:** Sandra Lange  
**Third Place:** Derrick Early, Sally Davies

### Baked Goods

**Best in Show:** Gloria Winfrey – Cinnamon Rolls

**First Place:** Stan Edwards – Peach/Blueberry Bake;  
Pam Banks – Tea Cakes;  
Amethyst Dwyer – Peach Pie

**Second Place:** Christie Doran – Lemon Scones;  
Kate Martin – Coconut Cake with Pineapple Icing;  
Cathie Brannan – Cranberry Scones;  
Erin Olsen – Pour-It Cake;  
Kathy Labukas – Peach/Blueberry One Crust Pie;  
Michael Datle – Mac and Cheese Cookies

**Third Place:** Leta Mach – Rosemary Shortbread;  
Maia Swisdale – Double Chocolate Drops;  
Jo Ellen Scarff – Lemon Cake (recipe from the 1930s)



PHOTOS BY HELEN SYDAVAR





# Democratic Club Shifts Meeting Site and Date

The Eleanor & Franklin Democratic Club will meet Saturday morning, October 18, at the Eleanor Roosevelt High School parking lot at 10 a.m. to canvass District 22 on the upcoming general election. Wear comfortable shoes and be prepared to do some walking.

The Club will have supplies for the canvassing. While Maryland is a “blue” state that generally votes Democratic, this canvassing is part of a county-wide effort to get the vote out, as a large turnout in Prince George’s County will be critical to Lt. Governor Brown’s electoral chances to become governor, as other areas of the state generally vote Republican.

During this “Day of Action,” club members will be urging voters to vote for Brown as well to re-elect Congressman Hoyer; State Senator Pinsky; Delegates

Healey, Gaines and Washington; and Todd Turner, who is running for a county council seat to replace retiring Ingrid Turner.

Other ways Greenbelters can help get the vote out is through phone banking on Monday, October 27. Bring a phone to 10236 Lake Arbor Way, Largo, from 6 to 9 p.m.

The general election is Tuesday, November 4, from 7 to 8 p.m. Early voting will take place from October 23 through 30 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Board Nominations: Elections for the Roosevelt Club board will take place soon. If one wants to get more involved and active, now is the time to speak up. Board meetings are held once a month on the evening of the first Sunday. General membership meetings generally occur once a month.

For more information, call 301-220-1025.

# Ageless Grace Seminar And Educator Certification

The City of Greenbelt, MRPA Therapeutic Recreation Branch and Ageless Grace are providing Ageless Grace Seminar and Educator Certification training sessions on Wednesday and Thursday, November 12 and 13 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center. These programs will train new Ageless Grace educators.

Fitness professional Denise Medved created the Ageless Grace program – 21 Simple Tools for Lifelong Comfort and Ease. The movements, performed in a chair, focus on the healthy longevity of the body, mind, emotions and spirit. Each tool focuses on a different anti-aging technique, e.g., joint mobility, spinal flexibility, right-left brain coordination, bone density, muscle mass, cognitive function, fall prevention, systemic stimulation, balance, confidence and playfulness.

The Ageless Grace program is ideal for those wanting to find a program allowing them to function with maximum ease and minimum effort. The 21 tools are playful, creative and varied and recommended to be practiced 10 minutes a day, every day for the best cumulative benefit. Ageless Grace not only addresses aging factors in the body, but all tools focus on improved cognitive function while simultaneously supporting ease

of movement.

The seminar will teach participants how to practice the program at home on their own and also encourages social interaction and improved attitude and outlook

**Educator Certification**

The Educator Certification trains new educators about Ageless Grace and how to teach Ageless Grace classes.

The seminar and certification will be led by Medved, a leader in the world of fitness for the last 25 years. She is an International Nia Education Trainer and 1st degree black belt Nia instructor, as well as an AFAA certified personal trainer, a feng shui consultant, and an international presenter and speaker.

Medved is the author of The Ageless Grace Playbook, a set of flashcards and a set of three DVDs demonstrating the program, all published by Purple Iris Press.

Registration is required. There will also be three, free 30-minute public classes with Medved Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 12:30 p.m. and 5:15 p.m., and Thursday, Nov. 13 at 12:30 p.m., at the Youth Center.

For more information contact Karen Haseley at [khaseley@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:khaseley@greenbeltmd.gov) or visit [agelessgrace.com](http://agelessgrace.com) to register and to learn more about the program or to view a video clip.

**Ancestral Knowledge Community Potluck**

Saturday Oct 18, 1 to 5 p.m. at 103 Ridge Road (rain or shine), Ancestral Knowledge is sponsoring an Annual Community Potluck. Bring friends, family and a dish to share and take advantage of the opportunity meet new friends, enjoy delicious food and carve a pumpkin in support of the annual Greenbelt pumpkin walk.

For any questions or to respond to this invitation, contact [jdblockhead@yahoo.com](mailto:jdblockhead@yahoo.com). See [www.Ancestralknowledge.org](http://www.Ancestralknowledge.org) for details.

**Cadillac Antique Car Show Here**

Antique and classic Cadillacs will be on display on Sunday, October 26 for the Annual Fall Cadillac LaSalle Show at Capitol Cadillac, 6500 Capitol Drive. The show theme is Capitol Cadillac’s 80th Anniversary and begins at 10 a.m. with awards presented at 3 p.m. New this year, the Mayor’s Choice award will be presented by Mayor Emmett Jordan. Approximately 80 cars will be on display both inside and out, rain or shine.

**SSL Hours Offered For Invasives Weeding**

Students can earn service learning hours on Friday, October 17, when Prince County Public Schools are closed for the day, by volunteering to remove invasive weeds, pick up trash and collect acorns at Buddy Attick Park, 555 Crescent Road, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The acorns will be sent to the Maryland State Tree Nursery which will use them to create oak saplings for the state’s forests and parks.

On Saturday, October 18 the group will also be removing invasive weeds along Lakeside Drive from 9 a.m. to noon. Meet at Lakeside Drive and Lakeview.

These service events are sponsored by the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES). Gloves, pruners and instructions will be provided. Students may wish to bring a water bottle. For more information, 240-601-2802.

**School Board Debate In Greenbelt Oct. 23**

On Thursday, October 23 from 7:30 to 9 p.m., the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) will host a debate between the two candidates for the Prince George’s County School Board, District 2. The debate will be held in the city council chambers, 25 Crescent Road. A reception hosted by ACE members starts at 7 p.m.

District 2 includes Greenbelt, College Park, Berwyn Heights, New Carrollton, Riverdale Park, Edmonston and parts of Lanham.

The incumbent, Peggy Higgins, is running for reelection to a second term. She is challenged by Lupi Grady for the nonpartisan seat.

The debate will begin with opening statements by the two candidates followed by several questions prepared by ACE. Members of the audience will also be able to ask questions of the candidates. The debate will conclude with closing statements.

The debate, open to the public, will be carried live on Greenbelt Municipal Access Channel 71, Verizon 21 and [greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv).

**Synagogue Offers Talk on Scams**

On October 19, the Adult Education Committee at Mishkan Torah Synagogue will sponsor its second presentation of the year on “Avoiding Scams, Con Games and Fraud” at 10:30 a.m. The speaker will be George Mathews of the Greenbelt Police Department. He will address issues such as being alert to scams by mail, by phone and online, and what to do. There will be handouts and time for questions. The event is free and open to the general community.

Light refreshments will be available for purchase at the Coffee Klatch starting at 10 a.m.

Mathews is the Public Information Specialist and the Community Liaison for the Greenbelt Police Department. He was a police officer for 25 years. After retiring from the department, Mathews worked as a crime prevention specialist with the Maryland Community Crime Prevention Institute from 2009 to 2013.

Mishkan Torah is located at 10 Ridge Road.

# Sons of Pioneers Revisit Their Utopian Childhood

by Marshall Gerstell

Whenever I return to the Washington area from Atlanta I have two purposes: to be with my grandgirls in Great Falls, Va., and to catch up with my Greenbelt “Sons of the Pioneers” (SOPs). I contact a member of our old gang, Don Walker – who, like me, came to Greenbelt in 1937-8. Don is the glue to our gang, the grand communicator and organizer. This visit Don set up a meeting with other members of our gang who were available – John Schaffer (25 Court Ridge) and Joe Carstens (69 Court Ridge). This time Don decided to meet at the Pleasant View Nursing Home in Mt. Airy, Md., to visit another SOP, CJ Falcon (21 Court Ridge). CJ has been in a nursing home for some time, so it was time to let him know we missed him and to revisit the good old days of our utopian childhood in Greenbelt, circa 1938-1955. Mike Cockill made a visit to see CJ two months ago.



Marshall Gerstell reminisces with Greenbelt "Sons of the Pioneers."

CJ’s daughter, Michelle, was there to greet us. She thoroughly enjoyed our tales of childish pranks and other exploits unfamiliar to her and buried deep in our memories until then.

We found CJ to be in good spirits, laughing along with our tales, often adding comments we had long forgotten.

A big surprise to me was that Don, the great organizer, also invited another SOP, whom I had long forgotten – but who remembered me from when we went to Greenbelt Center School: Ray Frank. Ray now lives in New Market, Md., not far from Mt. Airy. Ray left Greenbelt after the fifth grade, moved to Arlington and went to high school with CJ. Ray, an ardent collector, brought along pictures of our first grade classmates and teacher, Ms. Lieberman. Ray identified better than 60 percent of the 25 students in a 1943 class photo. Amongst them were Joe Mack Schubert, Jan Andrusic, Mary Mike Ruppert, Madylin Stutz, Nettie Gump, Howard Chasnow, Diane Finlay, Mickey Eldred, Bruce MacEwan, Charlie Howey and Fred Schrom.

It’s always nice to get together with friends, especially old friends; otherwise we would not be able to recount those wonderful utopian years. We all said we wish we could relive those experiences once again. And we will when we return to see CJ again, soon. Thank you, Donald, the great impresario.

**Museum and Paper to Host Izzy Event**

The Greenbelt Museum and the Greenbelt News Review are hosting the Remembering Izzy Cartoon Contest Reception and Award Ceremony on Sunday, October 19 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Community Center. (This event will take place instead of a lecture on the third Tuesday of the month, when museum lectures are usually scheduled.)

This October marks the 10th anniversary of the death of Greenbelt editorial cartoonist, Izzy Parker. To honor him, the newspaper and the museum co-sponsored a cartoon contest. Join in to see all of the entries and to learn the winners. Also on display will be the panels from an exhibit that the museum created about Izzy Parker several years ago. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

**Free Showing of MLK Film at Beltway Plaza**

A critically-acclaimed documentary: “King: A Filmed Record ... Montgomery to Memphis” will be shown free at Beltway Plaza Mall on Sunday, October 26 at 6 p.m. In honor of Utopia’s 10th anniversary, the film uses only newsreel and other primary material related to Martin Luther King, Jr.

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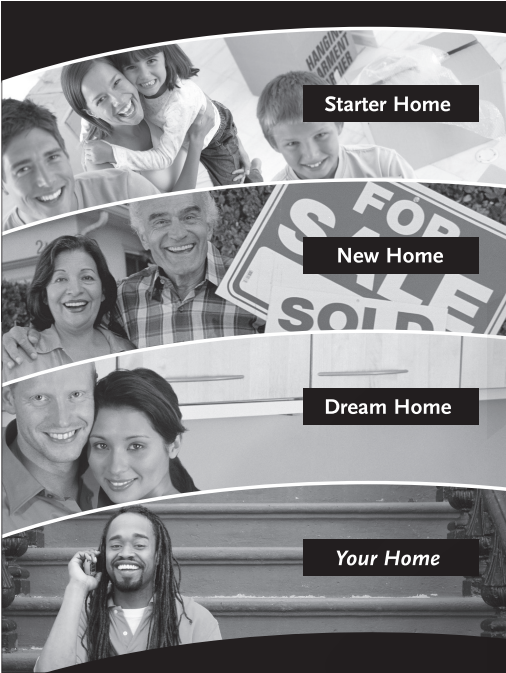
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**Two Breast Cancer Support Groups**

On Tuesday, October 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. Doctors Community Hospital will hold breast cancer support groups for men and women. The group for male caregivers will be on the 5th floor of the North Building at 8100 Good Luck Road. The group is facilitated by men whose loved ones are breast cancer survivors. The second group is for women who are newly diagnosed or recovering from breast cancer, on the 4th floor of the North Building. Call to receive a free breast care educational brochure. Registration for either group is required by calling 301-324-4968.

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**Hunting Ridge** - 2 bedroom condominium with modern kitchen and 2 remodeled bathrooms. New washer/dryer, ceramic-tiled balcony. \$134,900

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**Takoma Park** - 3 br, 2 ba. Condo on 10th floor w/amazing views. Completely customized throughout. Both outdoor and secured garage parking. Amazing!  
**Brick Townhome W/Addition** - GHI home w/2nd floor finished. Addition came w/2nd floor for family room. Award-winning yard! \$169,900  
**Corner Lot** - 3 BR home with modern kitchen and remodeled throughout. Radiant floor heating in bathroom. Enormous yard with screened porch.  
**Single-story End Unit** - Hardwood flooring throughout. Remodeled kitchen w/separate entrance. Large corner lot w/spacious shed & brick patio. \$87,900  
**Waldorf** - 3 Br, 1 1/2 Ba. Townhome with modern upgrades, large kitchen and newer appliances. Separate dining area with sliding glass doors. \$160,000  
**Block Townhome - Attached Garage** 2 bedroom w/2nd floor. Remodeled throughout - hardwood flooring on lower level. Very nice!  
**Large Corner Lot** - 2 bedroom GHI townhome with stone privacy hedges & brick patio. Shed. Just steps away from Roosevelt Center.  
**GHI Block Townhome** - 3 Br unit with-upgraded kitchen, separate dining area & laundry on 2nd floor. Large Shed! Short walk to Roosevelt Center.  
**Brick GHI Townhome** - 11' x 17' master bedroom, 2nd br. Large-capacity front-loading w/d in sep. laundry area. Laminate flooring downstairs.  
**Block Townhome With Addition** - Rear addition w/2nd floor office space. Hardwood floors, sink and ceramic tiles. Close to Roosev. Center.  
**2 Bedroom Townhome** - Corner lot tucked away. New appliances. Priced to sell at \$112,000

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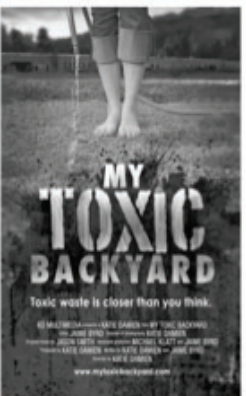
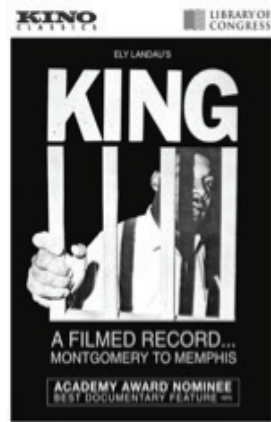


UTOPIA FILM FESTIVAL 2014

Greenbelt, Maryland

Sat. Oct. 25 – Sun. Oct. 26

Celebrating Our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



SCREENING SCHEDULE (Some Saturday films re-screen Sunday. When an event includes short films, shorts generally precede main film.)

GAC: Greenbelt Arts Center, 123 Centerway Rd., Greenbelt  
MB: Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt

- ANIMATION HOTLINE, 2012** A series of micro-animations that use crowd-sourced voicemail messages for content. (short, GAC, Sat. 4pm)

**BESA: THE PROMISE** Sixty years after the war, a Muslim Albanian must fulfill a promise made to the Jewish family his father rescued during the Holocaust. (documentary, GMB, Sun. 12pm, WITH CO-PRODUCER Q&A)

**CONNECTED BY COFFEE** Our daily brew is deeply connected to a troubled past - but better future. (documentary, CC, Sun. 12pm WITH SPEAKER & complimentary coffee & donuts )

**DELIVER US** An idealistic protestor fighting an oppressive government confronts riot police. (short, MB, Sat. 7pm)

**FAGBUG NATION** Filmmaker Erin Davies sets out in her controversial rainbow-colored VW bug to fight a homophobic slur. (documentary, CC, Sat. 7pm)

**FAMILIES ARE FOREVER** When conservative Mormon parents learn their son is gay, their lives change forever. (short, CC, Sat. 7pm & GAC, Sun. 12pm)

**FREAK OUT!** The true story of an ultimately-doomed, 1900-era Swiss commune based on veganism, feminism, pacifism and free love. (documentary, GAC, Sat. 4pm & CC, Sun. 2pm)

**HARD WAY HOME** One woman's journey to thru-hike the Appalachian Trail and shed her past. (documentary, GAC, Sun. 12pm, WITH SPEAKER)

**IN THE MAGIC OF THE GREEN MOUNTAINS** Vermont herbalists launch an organic medicinal herb farm. (documentary, MB, Sat. 12 pm)

**JIM MORRIS: LIFELONG FITNESS** Openly-gay, 78-year-old African-American bodybuilder Jim Morris shares his thoughts. (short, CC, Sat. 7pm)

**KING: A FILMED RECORD...MONTGOMERY TO MEMPHIS** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s brave struggle for civil rights (documentary, Academy 8 Theaters, Beltway Plaza Mall, Sun.; program begins at 6:00 pm WITH SPEAKER) FREE

**LED ZEPPELIN PLAYED HERE** Did Led Zeppelin in 1969 really perform at the Wheaton Youth Center before 50 confused teenagers? Meet filmmaker Jeff Krulik, who'll screen his documentary quest and classic shorts, including HEAVY METAL PARKING LOT (documentary, GAC, Sat. 7pm)

**LITTLE GIRL WITH IRON FIST** An elderly Italian woman recalls growing up under fascism. (documentary with animation, CC, Sat. 4pm)
- LOVE THY NATURE** Narrated by Liam Neeson, an awesome journey into our relationship with the natural world (documentary, MB, Sat. 4pm)

**MILAGRO MAN** Explores the literary works and social activism of radical Hollywood screenwriter John Nichols (documentary, CC, Sat. 2pm WITH FILMMAKER Q&A)

**MY TOXIC BACKYARD** A cancer-plagued community fights against contaminated groundwater. (documentary, MB, Sat. 2pm; MB Sun. 2pm)

**POVERTY, INC.** A multi-billion-dollar market supports for-profit contractors who benefit from poverty. (documentary, GAC, Sun. 2pm)

**REMEMBERING THE FALLEN** A war veteran recalls the day when he was wounded - and its surprising outcome.(short, CC, Sat. 2pm & GAC Sun. 2pm)

**SCAPEGOAT** An Asian store owner is robbed. Will an African-American customer he previously racially profiled help him? (short, GAC, Sat. 2pm)

**THE ARCTIC FOX** When an arctic fox escapes from a zoo, it begins an incredible journey. (beautiful short animation, MB, Sat. 4pm)

**THE FIRST STEP** On her first night in a new house, an entity from the basement terrorizes young Sarah... (scary short, MB, Sat. 2pm)

**THE ORPHAN AND THE POLAR BEAR** A neglected orphan is adopted by a wise polar bear elder. (beautiful short animation, MB, Sat. 7pm)

**THE RANDOM EFFECT** A biologist discovers a deadly molecule, then faces a difficult decision. (short, MB, Sat. 2pm ; CC, Sun. 2pm)

**TRANSCENDING SURGEON** The life of African American trauma surgeon Edward Cornwell 111 (documentary, MB, Sun. 3pm WITH FILMMAKER Q&A)

**UNDER THE SAME SUN** An Israeli and a Palestinian want to form a solar energy company, but face intense opposition. (feature, MB Sat. 7pm)

**VOICES** Three individuals living with psychotic mental illness, and its tragic consequences for one of them. (documentary, GAC, Sat. 2pm)

\$5 per event at door,\$20 for two-day pass. All programs first come, first served.



FREE PROGRAMS

Urban/Rural Landscapes 8: Filmmaker Chris Lynn screens experimental films.(MB, Sat. 12-1)

Mini-Home Movie Day: Film scholar Caitlin McGrath talks about home movies.(MB,Sat. 1-2)

Animations by George Kochell's GAVA/GATE Animation Class & Films By & For Kids.(GAC, Sat. 12)

Docs in Progress: Help a documentary filmmaker evaluate his or her work. (MB, Sun. 4-6)

King: A Filmed Record...Montgomery to Memphis Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s brave struggle for civil rights in this critically-acclaimed 1970 documentary. (Academy 8 Theaters, Beltway Plaza Mall, 6198 Greenbelt Rd. Sunday. Program starts at 6:00 pm, with speaker, followed by film.



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